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## Street Light Fault Detector and Locator by Using LDR And GPS

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### ABSTRACT-

This research presents an innovative IoT-based smart street lighting system design to enhance public safety, and streamline maintenance operations. By leveraging advanced sensor technology, LDR, GPS with mapping capabilities, this system offers a comprehensive solution for intelligent street lighting management. A critical aspect of the system is its proactive fault detection and localization capabilities. By continuously monitoring street light operational status, the system can identify and pinpoint faults, such as bulb failures or electrical malfunctions. When a fault is detected, an automated alert is sent to maintenance personnel, enabling prompt and efficient repair actions. This proactive approach minimizes downtime and ensures uninterrupted street lighting infrastructure. To streamline maintenance operations, the system integrates GPS technology to accurately locate faulty street lights. This precise geolocation information empowers maintenance crews to efficiently plan routes and prioritize repairs, reducing response times and optimizing resource allocation. Additionally, by integrating mapping technology, the system can generate detailed maps highlighting faulty street light locations, providing valuable visual aids for maintenance teams. In conclusion, this IoT-based smart street lighting system offers a robust and sustainable solution for modern urban environments.

Keywords- Global Positioning System (GPS), Global System For Mobile Communication(GSM), Light Dependent Register(LDR).

### INTRODUCTION

The rapid and increasing demand for energy-efficient and sustainable infrastructure has spurred the development of innovative solutions for urban lighting systems. This research introduces an IoT-based smart street lighting system designed to address the need for intelligent, energy-efficient, and reliable street lighting. By leveraging advanced technologies such as sensors, LDR, GPS, and mapping, this system aims to enhance public safety, and streamline maintenance operations. Further, the system proactively monitors the health and status of street lights, detecting and locating faults such as bulb failures or electrical malfunctions. When a fault is identified, automated alerts are sent to maintenance personnel, enabling timely repairs and minimizing disruptions to public infrastructure. By integrating GPS technology and mapping capabilities, the system provides precise location information for faulty street lights, facilitating efficient maintenance operations and reducing response times.

Traditional street lighting systems often operate on fixed schedules, leading to inefficient energy consumption and potential safety hazards. To address these challenges, innovative smart street lighting systems have emerged, incorporating advanced technologies like Light Dependent Resistors (LDRs) to automate operations and detect faults. At the heart of these systems lies the LDR, a component whose resistance varies with the intensity of incident light. By strategically placing LDRs on street light poles, we can continuously monitor the ambient light levels. When a street light malfunctions, the LDR detects an unexpected increase in ambient light, triggering an alert. This real-time information is transmitted to a central monitoring system, enabling prompt maintenance and repair.

Additionally, the proactive fault detection capabilities ensure that street lights are always functioning, enhancing public safety and security. Furthermore, they can be integrated with other smart city technologies, such as smart grids and traffic management systems, to optimize urban infrastructure and improve quality of life.

As technology continues to advance, we can expect further innovations in smart street lighting. Future developments may include the integration of artificial intelligence and machine learning to optimize lighting schedules and predict maintenance needs. By embracing smart technologies, we can create smarter, more efficient, and sustainable cities.

In conclusion, this IoT-based smart street lighting system offers a comprehensive solution for modern lighting needs. By combining enhanced safety, and streamlined maintenance, this system contributes to creating smarter, more sustainable, and safer cities. This innovative approach not only reduces operational costs but also improves public safety and overall quality of life. As cities continue to grow and urbanize, the adoption of such smart technologies will be essential in addressing the challenges of sustainable urban development.

### LITERATURE REVIEW

Remote monitoring and control capabilities are another significant benefit of SSLs. Authorities can remotely monitor the status of street lights, identify and troubleshoot malfunctions, and adjust lighting schedules as needed. This proactive approach to maintenance can reduce downtime and improve the

overall reliability of the lighting infrastructure. Furthermore, SSLS can be integrated with other smart city technologies, such as smart traffic management systems, to create a more interconnected and efficient urban environment[1]. As cities continue to grow, efficient management of urban infrastructure becomes increasingly crucial. Street lighting, a fundamental component of urban infrastructure, plays a vital role in ensuring safety and security. Traditional methods of monitoring and maintaining street lights often face challenges like delayed fault detection and inefficient resource allocation. To address these issues, IoT-based solutions offer a promising approach. By deploying IoT sensors on street lights, we can collect real-time data on their status and performance, enabling proactive fault detection, precise location tracking, and optimized maintenance scheduling. This research focuses on developing a robust system that can accurately identify and locate various types of street light faults, such as bulb failures, power outages, and physical damage[2].

This paper present Using Node MCU, IR sensor, LDR Sensor. The LDR Sensor Detect Status Of Street Light. The primary objective of this project is to conserve energy by elevating the light intensity solely upon detecting the movement of an object [3]. The aim of this paper is to reduce the amount of power lost in streets in the name of street lights. To achieve this, the street lights should illuminate in the presence of any object or vehicle during the night, while remaining switched off during the daytime[4]. The project is usually a multi-functional prototype that has a aptitude to get rid of the manual operation of the old street lightning system by strategy of the self-automation. It aims at designing and executing the advanced development in embedded systems for energy saving of street lights and their maintenance at reduced cost with modern development. Street Lightning system has a feature as two sensors are used which are Light Dependent Resistor (LDR) to point a day/night time. Automatic Street Light Control System is not only easy but also the powerful technique. Relay uses a automatic switch in this system. It releases the manual work almost up to 100%. As soon as the sunlight goes under the visible region of our eyes this system automatically switches ON lights. Light Dependent Resistor (LDR) is a type of sensor which actually does this work and senses the light as our eyes does. As soon as the sunlight comes, visible to our eyes it automatically switches OFF lights. Such type of system is also useful for reducing energy consumption[5].

IoT Based Smart Street Light Fault Detection and Control System. In 2020 International Conference on Inventive Research in Computing Applications (ICIRCA) (pp. 1-5) IEEE. his study presents an IoT based approach to smart street lighting, emphasizing fault detection capabilities and their role in enhancing operational efficiency and safety [6]. This paper presents By using this system manual onsite works are 100% removed and can be controlled from anywhere through internet (IoT) and it can be operated using 2 modes LDR and IR Sensor. In this system, Wi-Fi has been integrated into the intelligent street lighting infrastructure. The system is composed of Wi-Fi nodes integrated with light sources based on high power LED diodes [7]. Tang was designed to minimize the impact of street lights using the Arduino AT89S52. The project involves various technologies including LCD, digital clock, timer, and photosensitive induction. Its main goal is to automatically turn on when a vehicle passes by and turn off when it's not needed. Additionally, it is equipped with an auto alarm to detect faulty lights and provide information. Anila Devi designed an automatic remote-control system for a highefficiency intelligent street lighting system using ZIGBEE network technology for devices and sensors [8].

This paper is designed to automate the maintenance of street lights and minimize power usage. This paper by using Current Sensor, GSM, LDR, and Microcontroller. to ensure the prompt resolution of individual faults, the aim is to complete repairs within a few working hours instead of extended periods, which could span days or even months [9]. A smart lighting system offers advanced features for efficient energy management and enhanced security. It enables remote on/off control, dimming, and onsite status checks, allowing users to manage lighting conveniently via a mobile app or centralized dashboard. To maintain system reliability, the fault detection and alarm system continuously monitors performance and alerts users to issues such as power failures or damaged components. The system also supports data management through energy consumption reports, providing detailed insights into usage patterns. This information helps optimize efficiency and reduce operational costs. With 24-hour online monitoring, users can track system performance in real-time, ensuring seamless operation and prompt issue resolution [10].

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## PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

The proposed system aims to automate the detection and localization of faulty street lights using Light Dependent Resistors (LDR) for fault detection and Global Positioning System (GPS) for fault localization. The system consists of key hardware components, including LDR sensors, a microcontroller (such as Arduino uno), a GPS module, a GSM module for data transmission, and a power supply. Each street light is equipped with an LDR sensor that continuously monitors light intensity. If the detected light level falls below a

predefined threshold during nighttime, the system classifies the street light as faulty and triggers an alert.

Once a fault is detected, the system activates the GPS module to retrieve the exact coordinates of the malfunctioning street light. These coordinates are processed by the microcontroller and stored for reporting. The fault information, including the light intensity reading, GPS location, and timestamp, is then transmitted through either GSM-based SMS alerts to notify the maintenance team. This ensures that authorities receive real-time updates about faulty street lights without the need for manual inspections.

After receiving the alert, maintenance teams can use the GPS coordinates to quickly locate and repair the faulty street light, reducing downtime and improving efficiency. To enhance system accuracy, the methodology includes periodic performance evaluations by analysing sensor reading.

The expected outcomes of this system include realtime fault detection, precise localization of faulty street lights, reduced maintenance costs, and improved urban infrastructure management.

Additionally, integrating the system with smart city initiatives can enhance public safety, optimize energy usage, and support sustainable urban development. Overall, the proposed methodology provides a cost-effective, efficient, and scalable solution for street light monitoring, reducing human effort while ensuring uninterrupted street illumination.

## BLOCK DIAGRAM

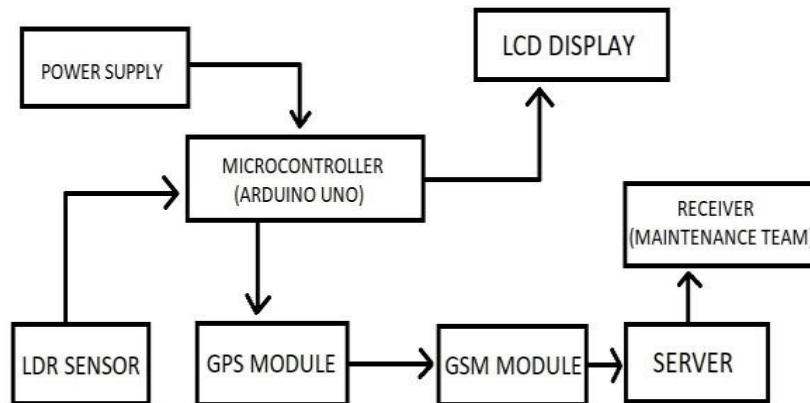


Figure 1. Block Diagram of Street Light Fault

**Detector And Locator By Using LDR and GPS** The Street Light Fault Detector and Locator is a smart system designed to monitor streetlights and detect faults automatically. The system operates using several key components. The power supply provides the necessary energy to the circuit, ensuring stable operation through a battery or direct AC supply, regulated to 5V or 3.3V as required. The street light unit is the actual streetlight being monitored, which should turn ON at night and OFF during the day. To determine whether the streetlight is working properly, an LDR (Light Dependent Resistor) sensor measures ambient light levels. If the sensor detects darkness while the streetlight is supposed to be ON, it indicates a fault.

A microcontroller ( Arduino Uno ) processes the LDR readings and makes decisions based on the detected light intensity. If a fault is confirmed, the microcontroller activates the GPS module, which determines the precise location (latitude and longitude) of the faulty streetlight. This location data is then forwarded to the GSM module. If a GSM module (SIM800A) is used, an SMS containing the fault details and location is sent to the maintenance team..

Additionally, an LCD display can be included in the system to show live status updates, displaying messages such as "Streetlight Fault Detected" along with the location coordinates. For immediate on-site alerts, a buzzer can be added to notify nearby personnel about the malfunction. This automated system significantly enhances streetlight maintenance efficiency by reducing manual inspections, improving response time, and ensuring well-lit streets for safety and convenience.

## RESULT

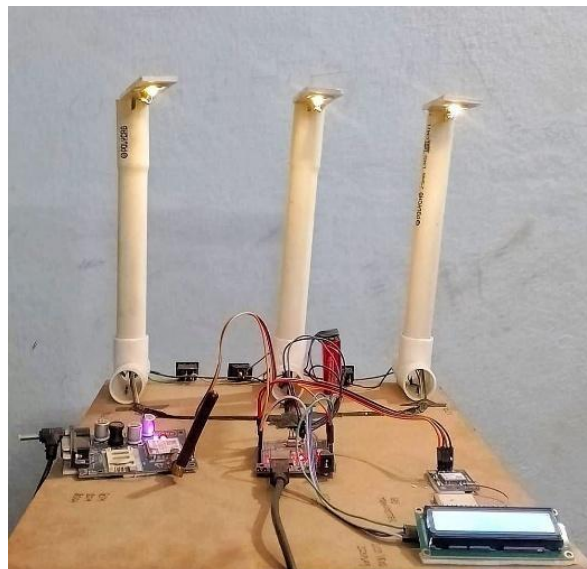


Figure 2. Model of Street Light Fault Detector and Locator System



Figure 3. Faulty Condition of Street Light



Figure 4. Normal Working Condition of Street Light

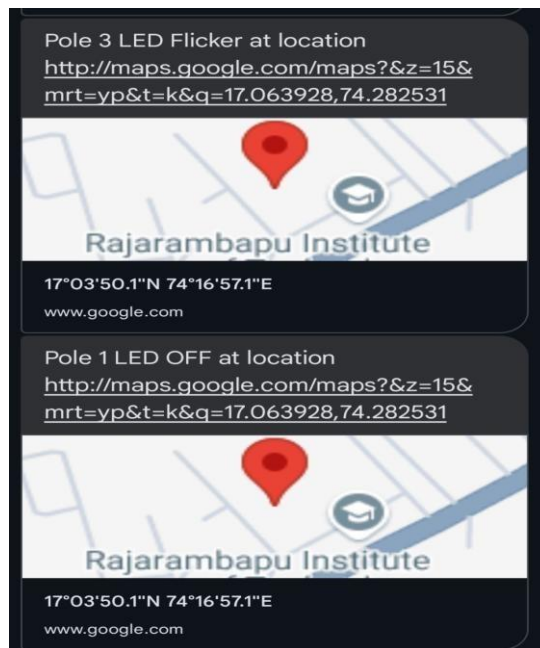


Figure 5. Message After Detecting The Fault In Street Light

The street light fault detector and locator using LDR and GPS is a system designed to identify and locate faulty streetlights automatically. It works by using an LDR (Light Dependent Resistor) to detect light intensity. At night, if a streetlight is functioning properly, the LDR senses its brightness. However, if the streetlight is off when it should be on, the LDR detects darkness and registers a fault. A GPS module then records the exact location of the faulty streetlight, making it easier for maintenance teams to find and repair it. Additionally, the system can be integrated with a GSM module to send SMS alerts or an IoT system to update a central monitoring platform. This helps in quickly addressing streetlight failures, improving road safety, and reducing the need for manual inspections.

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## CONCLUSION

The street light fault detector and locator using LDR and GPS is an efficient and automated solution for identifying and locating faulty streetlights. By using an LDR, the system detects whether a streetlight is functioning correctly at night. If a fault is detected, the GPS module records its location, making it easier for maintenance teams to respond quickly. The system can also be integrated with GSM or IoT for real-time alerts and monitoring. This technology reduces manual inspection efforts, improves road safety, and enhances the efficiency of streetlight maintenance. In the future, integrating IoT, AI, and smart city infrastructure can further improve its effectiveness, making it a valuable step toward smart urban management.

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## FUTURE SCOPE

1. The system can be connected to a central database using IoT, allowing real-time monitoring of streetlights through mobile apps or web dashboards.
2. AI algorithms can predict streetlight failures based on data patterns, helping in preventive maintenance instead of waiting for failures to occur.

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